REPORT TO THE Community

We are preparing students to be

College, Career and Citizen-Ready.

Students have access to 50 Advanced Placement and college-credit courses.

Through hands-on learning, clubs, internships and job-shadowing, students are jump-starting their careers. Students are improving our community through youth development and service learning programs.

Highlights OF SU(LSS from the 2012-13 school year

Heritage High School was named a Governor's STEM Academy and Warwick High School was named a Governor's Health Sciences Academy.

Two Newport News Public Schools are among the top high schools in the country in giving students a solid financial education. Heritage High School is ranked eighth in the country and Menchville High School ranked 23rd on the W!SE (Working in Support of Education) Financial Literacy Certification Test.

Heritage High School teacher Tiffanie Smith received the 2012 C. Thomas Olivo Outstanding Service Award for her accomplishments in career and technical education and occupational competency assessments. Smith, Linda Richardson at Denbigh High School and Cynthia Earl at Menchville High School all were named Gold Star Teachers by W!SE.

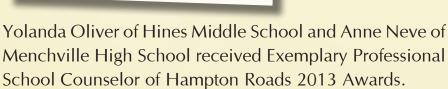
Eleven Newport News Public Schools students were named 2013 National Advanced Placement Scholars for their achievements on AP exams and 225 students were cited for their achievements on AP tests, which demonstrate college-level achievement.

NNPS was certified as a 2012 Virginia School Boards Association Green Schools Division, winning a silver award.

Superintendent Ashby Kilgore was named a 2012 Old Dominion University Darden College of Education Fellow.

Heritage High School's Asonya Anderson won the girl's 55-meter dash state indoor track title, while Woodside High School's Aaron Worrell won state titles in the indoor and outdoor boys triple jump. He set a state record of 51 feet 5 inches outdoors.





NNPS earned the Government Finance Officers Association Distinguished Budget Presentation Award for the FY 2013 Operating Budget.

The Summer of Innovation/STEM Academy program earned a 2013 Excellence in Education Award from the Virginia Tech School of Education.

Schedule Specialist Sharon Moore and Transportation Supervisor Beverly Young were certified as supervisors of pupil transportation by the National Association for Pupil Transportation.

Nearly 2,000 students graduated from NNPS high schools.

Success by the numbers

- · The NNPS on-time graduation rate has increased to 79.6%; from 72.9% in 2008.
- · The dropout rate has decreased significantly to 3.4% from 12% in 2008.
- · Through Early College and dual-enrollment initiatives, 1,037 students earned college credit.
- Students taking Advanced Placement courses increased to 46%.
- Industry certifications have increased since 2010.
- 75% of students now participate in a club, activity or sport, connecting them to school.

